



ST. MARGARET'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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PALM SUNDAY – YEAR (C)
13th April 2025



A Hearty Welcome! If you are just visiting our parish today, we bid you welcome. If this is the first time you have been to Mass for a while, welcome back! We hope our time together unites us in God's love.

DATE	CHURCH	TIME & LITURGICAL SERVICE	MASS INTENTION
Saturday 12th	St. Margaret's	10am – Holy Mass & Novena of St. Margaret 10.30am – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am – Confession 5.30pm – Holy Mass	Peter Hughes Jr. (wellbeing) Fr David Barr RIP
Sunday 13th Palm Sunday	St. Margaret's Holy Name	9.30am – Holy Mass 11am – Holy Mass	Eleanor Hutchison RIP Alan Cox RIP
Monday 14th	St. Margaret's	7pm – Holy Mass	People of the Parish
Tuesday 15th	Holy Name St. Margaret's	9am – Holy Mass 10am – Holy Mass	Fr Patrick Kelly RIP James Scott RIP
Wednesday 16th	Holy Name St. Margaret's	9am – Holy Mass 10am – Holy Mass	Guiseppe Ferrari RIP Teresa & Brian Little
Thursday 17th Maundy Thursday	St. Margaret's	7pm – Liturgy of the Lord's Supper & watching at the Altar of Repose	For of the Parish
Friday 18th Good Friday	Holy Name St. Margaret's	3pm – Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 7pm – Veneration of the Holy Cross	
Saturday 19th Holy Saturday	St. Margaret's	8pm – Easter Vigil	For of the Parish

Mass Intentions

If you would like a mass to be offered, complete a Mass Intention envelope (for SM in the card stand; for HN on the table at the entrance of the church) and either hand it to the Priest or put through the Presbytery door. For legibility, please print your intention in block capitals. Please note mass intentions slots can regularly already be filled, up to a month in advance.

Fr Syriac's Easter Break

Fr Syriac will be away for his Easter break from Monday 21st to Friday 25th April. There will be communion service at St. Margaret's on Tuesday & Thursday and in Holy Name on Tuesday & Wednesday.

Parish Newsletter

As a parish, we want to share our news with past, current & future parishioners so please feel free to take a copy of the newsletter home with you and pass this on to a family member, a neighbour or anyone unable to come to church anymore. If you'd like to receive the weekly newsletter by email please contact us to be added to the distribution list at: stmargaretsnews@gmail.com



Obituary: Please remember in your prayers:

Ann Begg; Cremation will take place on Wednesday 30th April at 11.30am at Dunfermline Crematorium. Our thoughts & prayers go to the bereaved family and friends. May her soul rest in peace.

Statue Restoration

We've received £4,765 so far, with just £335 left to reach our £5,100 goal for completion of this project. Thank you to everyone for your generous contributions. A detailed list of contributors will be shared when the project is completed.

One World Group AGM

The One World Group will hold it's AGM on Saturday 26th April in the crypt after 10am mass. All are welcome especially potential new members. It could be you!

St. Margaret's Repository

We have Easter cards and Easter Mass Intention cards available, as well as Confirmation and First Holy Communion cards. Please let us know if there's anything else you'd like us to stock or if you have specific item requests.

Ladies Group

A talk has been arranged for our meeting - "Fierce, Fiery, Feisty Women" at 7pm on 20th of May in the Crypt in St Margaret's.

Sick in the Parish

We would like to ask your prayers for: **Teresa Lynch, Michael McCann, Gail Pearce, Elaine Cormack, Denise Reilly, Jane Fentiman, Maureen Black, Margaret McPherson, Anne Donaldson, Nan Lomas, Margaret Fotheringham, Jim Cusick, Janet McIlwaine, Moira McGuigan, Esther Wren and Margaret Wilson** during their period of illness. If you would like a family member or friend to be remembered in the bidding prayers, please complete the form which are at the back of each church.

Pastoral Visits for the Sick and Housebound

If you or a loved one need a visit from Fr Syriac or one of the Eucharistic Ministers due to illness, hospitalisation, or being housebound, we are here for you. To arrange a visit, please contact the parish office.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

For a full list of upcoming events
in the Diocese visit:

www.archedinburgh.org/news-events

Stations of the Cross

Join Catholics from across Scotland to pray for the unborn, their mothers and all pro-life intentions. Includes a reflection from Bishop Frank Dougan of the Diocese of Galloway. This Monday (14 April) at 7:45pm. Register: bit.ly/stations25

Fundraising concert

A Performance of Pergolesi Stabat Mater by Genevieve Evans and Emma Hocking takes place at St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh at 7:30pm on Monday 14 April. Entry is free with retiring donations to support the Schola Cantorum's singing in Rome in May 2025.

Chrism Mass

The Mass of Chrism in the Archdiocese will be celebrated on Tuesday of Holy Week (15 April) at St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh at 7:00pm. At this Solemn Mass Archbishop Cushley will bless the Oils to be used in parish celebrations of the Sacraments for the year ahead, while priests renew the promises made at ordination. All are welcome as we prepare for the Paschal Triduum in the lead up to Easter Sunday.

Parent Forum

The next Archdiocesan Parent Forum will take place on Wednesday 23 April at 7:00pm. This meeting will now be online, and all Parent Council Chairpersons and Parish Representatives are invited. If you haven't received an invite or confirmed your attendance, please email melissa.gavan@staned.org.uk

Assisted Suicide

The UK Parliament will soon be voting on assisted suicide. Please visit carenotkilling.uk/petition to sign the petition and email your MP in a few simple clicks.

Annual Pro-Life Chain, Edinburgh

SPUC's Pro-Life Chain takes place on Saturday 26 April at 11:00am on Lothian Road. There will be a pro-life Rosary at 10:00am in Sacred Heart Church on Lauriston Street. Register at: bit.ly/proliferosary25

Mass for Married & Engaged Couples

The annual Archdiocesan Mass for Married Couples (and those preparing for marriage) takes place at 7:15pm on Tuesday 27 May at St Mary's Cathedral. Archbishop Cushley will be the principal celebrant and will give a blessing to couples.

Celebration of Fr Tommy Greenan

The story of the Edinburgh priest who served the poor in war-torn El Salvador will be shared at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, on Thursday 8 May at 7:30pm (Please note corrected date). Speakers will share their memories of Fr Tommy Greenan and tell the story of how his acclaimed book The Song of the Poor came to be published following his death. The book will be available for purchase at the event. No registration required. All welcome.



ST. MARGARET'S PARISH REGISTER



HAVE YOU REGISTERED YET?

**Registration instructions
and paper forms
are at the back of the church
& in the newsletter**

**Please return completed paper
forms in the box provided.**



How to scan a QR code with your phone:

1. Open the camera app
2. Point it at the QR code
3. Tap the notification that appears
4. Follow the on-screen instructions

**We now have 370 parishioners
registered in 11 weeks since its launch!**

How to Register

You have a choice of how to register:

**You can use your mobile & the QR code or, if you prefer:
you can fill in the paper form & return it when convenient.
Paper forms are at the entrance of each church,
along with a box to return them in.**

Registration Instructions

1. Use QR code or enter following link into your browser
stmargaretsrchurch.churchsuite.com/forms/8e2u8r3e
2. Enter your details
3. An email will be sent with an invitation to My ChurchSuite.
You are now on the Parish Register!
You can use My ChurchSuite to edit your personal information,
and to update your contact preferences.

If anyone has any queries or issues please let us know:

priest.stmargaretdunfermline@staned.org.uk
or 07706 083493 or 01383 625611

St. Margaret's Parish Register Team would like to say a big thank you to all who have already registered.

PARISH REGISTER BENEFITS

Improved Communication

The Parish Register will serve as a centralized resource for keeping parishioners informed about important updates, events, and initiatives. Whether it's sharing schedules, delivering newsletters, or announcing urgent messages, the register ensures timely and accurate communication with everyone in the parish community.

Reduced Risk of Exclusion

Without a register, some parishioners might miss important information or opportunities to participate in parish activities. The register minimizes this risk by providing an inclusive communication framework that reaches everyone.

Stronger Community Connection

By engaging every parishioner through better communication, the register will help to create a stronger sense of unity and belonging. It supports the Synod's emphasis on Communion by ensuring that no one feels overlooked or disconnected from parish life.

Enhanced Lay Participation

The Synod highlighted the importance of lay participation in building a vibrant parish community. The register will help to identify individuals who may wish to contribute their skills, time, or leadership in various parish ministries, events, or outreach programs, aligning with the call for greater participation.

Streamlined Parish Activities

An accurate and up-to-date register simplifies planning and organizing parish activities. It allows the parish to efficiently manage volunteer efforts, event participation, and pastoral outreach. For example, coordinating with parishioners for events like retreats, fundraisers, or social gatherings becomes much smoother.

Easier Outreach to New Members

The register will also help to welcome and integrate new members into the parish, ensuring they feel connected and informed from the start.

Data Privacy Assurance

Many people are understandably concerned about how their personal information is handled. The parish's commitment to adhering to Data Protection laws reassures parishioners that their data will remain confidential, secure, and used exclusively for parish purposes. This transparency builds trust and encourages participation.

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

Presbytery & Parish Office Address:

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All Liturgical Services in St. Margaret's Church are livestreamed.

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Newsletter - Deadline Friday 10am

Sacraments

Please email or phone the Parish office to make an appointment with Fr Syriac to arrange: Baptisms, Marriages (6 months notice required), Funerals, Sacrament of the Sick or visits to the housebound/hospital.

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS - 2025

SM & HN Building Fund 1st Sun every month	4th May - Diocesan Lenten Alms	11th May - Diocesan Ecclesiastical Students	1st June - Bishops Conf Communication	15th June - Diocesan Day for Life
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WEEKLY OFFERTORY & MONTHLY STANDING ORDERS/DIRECT DEBITS

SM Building Fund

SM: 5th & 6th Apr
Offertory £
so/DD £1020.00

HN - MONTHLY OFFERTORY: 12/12 - 13/1/25
Offertory £1974.63 - so/DD £1069.42

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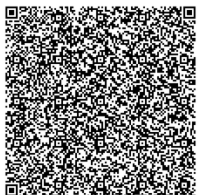
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ACCOUNT NAME, SORT CODE & ACCOUNT NO

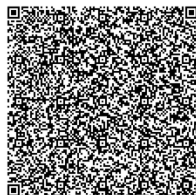
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ACCOUNT NAME, SORT CODE & ACCOUNT NO

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'The Holy Name Parish'
83-33-00 ~ 00176355



'St. Margaret's
One World Group'
83-33-00
10191867

SM
'SSVP AE02044'
80-06-55
00768139

HN
'SSVP AE02040'
80-22-60
13364166

GIFT AID - If you are a taxpayer and would like to enrol for Gift Aid, please contact the parish office.

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SCRIPTUREREADINGS

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FIRST READING Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary.

Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught.

The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backwards. I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting.

But the Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

SECOND READING Philippians 2:6-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL Luke 22:14-23:56

See separate handout.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 22(21):8-9. 17-18a. 19-20. 23-24. R2a

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Philippians 2:8-9

**Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.
Christ became for us obedient to the point of death,
even death on a cross.**

**Therefore God has highly exalted him
and bestowed on him the name that is above every name.
Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.**

THE NICENE ("Niceno-Constantinopolitan") Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

HOLY WEEK MASS SCHEDULE FOR SOUTH WEST FIFE CHURCHES

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	LITURGY
Palm Sunday 13 April	9.30am	St. Margaret's	Holy Mass
	9.30am	St John & St Columba	Holy Mass
	11am	Holy Name	Holy Mass
	11.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass
	5pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass
Monday of Holy Week 14 April	10am	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass
	7pm	St. Margaret's	Holy Mass
Tuesday of Holy Week 15 April	9am	Holy Name	Holy Mass
	10am	St. Margaret's	Holy Mass
	10am	St John & St Columba	Holy Mass
Wednesday of Holy Week 16 April	7.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass
	9am	Holy Name	Holy Mass
	10am	St. Margaret's	Holy Mass
Maundy Thursday 17 April	7pm	St. Margaret's	Liturgy of the Lord's Supper & watching at the Altar of Repose
	7.30pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Mass of the Lord's Supper (watching at the Altar of Repose until 10pm)
Good Friday 18 April Friday of the Passion of the Lord <i>(Fast and Abstinence)</i>	3pm	Holy Name	Liturgy of the Lord's Passion followed by Stations of the Cross in the garden
	3pm	Our Lady of Lourdes	Celebration of the Passion of the Lord
	7pm	St. Margaret's	Veneration of the Holy Cross
	7pm	St John & St Columba	The Way of the Cross
Holy Saturday 19 April	12 noon	Our Lady of Lourdes	Blessing of Easter Food (Święconka)
	8pm	St. Margaret's	Easter Vigil
	9pm	St John & St Columba	The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night
Easter Sunday 20 April Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord	9.30am	St. Margaret's	Holy Mass
	9.30am	St John & St Columba	Holy Mass
	11am	Holy Name	Holy Mass
	11.30am	Our Lady of Lourdes	Holy Mass
	5pm	St Peter in Chains	Holy Mass

Lent & Holy Week Liturgical Services for St. Margaret's Parish

The times, and locations of liturgical services for Holy Week for both St Margaret's and Holy Name were finalised recently by the PPC and parish Liturgy Group.

The issue of having one priest serving two churches within the parish, and ensuring fairness for both congregations, proved difficult in planning the Easter Triduum.

The liturgy at each of the Triduum services will be supported by parishioners from both St Margaret's and Holy Name.